## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

TOWN OF MONSON

### SPECIAL TOWN WARRANT

To any of the Constables of the Town of Monson in said county:

## **GREETINGS**:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Monson qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs to meet in the Granite Valley Middle School on Thompson Street on Monday, May 14, 2012, A.D., within the Annual Town Meeting, which begins at 7:00 P.M., to act upon the following articles:

#### Article 1:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Town Treasurer's Bank Fees Account, or take any other action relative thereto

#### Article 2:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Building Department Site Cleanup Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 3:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Forest Fire Salary Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

# Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Fire Truck Operating Account to the Fire House Operating Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

# Article 5:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account to the Ambulance Operating

Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

## Article 6:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account to the Ambulance Salary Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 7:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to the Board of Health Salary Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

## Article 8:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from the Highway Snow and Ice Account to the General Highway and Bridges Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Article 9:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to pay bills of prior years, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 10:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate a sum of money from available funds to pay for expenses incurred responding to the June 1, 2011 tornado that are not expected to be reimbursed, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise, borrow and/or appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$364,300.00) for the acquisition of a parcel of land consisting of approximately 139 +/-acres owned by the Brian T Quinlan and Penelope Quinlan as Trustees of the Quinlan Land Trust as described on Assessors Maps 70 and 47, Parcels 2 and 1B and more fully described in a deed recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 9755, Page 450. Said parcel of land to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission of the Town of Monson in accordance with M.G.L. c. 40, §8C for conservation and passive recreation purposes, and to meet said appropriation with funds transferred and/or borrowed in accordance with the Community Preservation Act (M.G.L. c. 44B, et. seq.) and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue any notes that may be necessary for that purpose, as authorized by M.G.L. c. 44, et.

seq., or any other enabling authority. Further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file on behalf of the Town of Monson any and all applications deemed necessary under the Local Access for Natural Diversity Act (M.G.L. c.132A, §11) or any other applications for funds in any way connected with the scope and intent of this acquisition, and the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission be authorized, as they deem appropriate subject to town counsel approval, to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments including the conveyance of a perpetual conservation restriction in accordance with M.G.L. c. 184 as required by Section 12(a) of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Monson to effectuate said purchase. Said conservation restriction may be granted to the Opacum Land Trust, an organization qualified and willing to hold such a restriction, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate up to the sum of Twenty One Thousand One Hundred Eighty Dollars and 00/100 (\$21,180.00) from the Fiscal Year 2012 Community Preservation Program, Undesignated Account, for conservation of open space pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44B or any other enabling authority, to purchase a parcel of land of consisting of approximately 139 +/acres owned by the Brian T Quinlan and Penelope Quinlan as Trustees of the Quinlan Land Trust as described on Assessors Maps 70 and 47, Parcels 2 and 1B and more fully described in a deed recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 9755, Page 450. and identified as "parcel 1" and "parcel 2" in the current appraisal and shown in the attached map, located on Reimers Road. This sum of money represents the Town's required contribution to supplement the Local Acquisition for Natural Diversity Grant provided by the Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution. This land is to remain permanent conservation land to be used for recreation and open space as per the restrictions of said Article 97. Said funds will be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate up to the sum of Eighty Three Thousand and 00/100 (\$83,000.00) Dollars from the Fiscal Year 2012 Community Preservation Program Undesignated Account, for preservation of historic and scenic resources pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44B or any other enabling authority to repair, restore and preserve the interior of the St. Patrick's Church located at 22 Green Street. Built of Monson granite from the former Flynt quarry in 1863 - 1864, this church is an integral part of the Town of Monson. After restoration of the outer portions of the bell tower by the parish of St. Patrick's church, the interior is now in significant need of re-painting and re-varnishing. Said funds to be expended under the administration of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other

action relative thereto.

#### Article 14:

To see if the town will vote to transfer and appropriate up to the sum of Sixteen Thousand, Two Hundred and 00/100 (\$16,200.00) Dollars from the Fiscal Year 2012 Community Preservation Programs Undesignated Account, for the preservation of historic and scenic resources pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44B or any other enabling authority to preserve the Original Marriage Intention Vital Records from 1907 through 1997. These original documents are at risk of being lost. They will be repaired, restored, de-acidified, re-sewn and re-bound for permanent protection. Said funds to be expended under the administration of the Community Preservation Committee, or to take any other action relative thereto.

4/27/12

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 24th day of April, 2012.

Richard M. Smith, Chairman

Edward A. Maia

Edward S. Harrison

MONSON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the legal voters of the Town of Monson by posting an attested copy of said Warrant in at least two places in said Monson fourteen days at least before the time appointed for holding the meeting aforesaid.

A true copy,

ATTEST:

Jasque W. Loglissic Constable of Monson

Town Clerk